

# REVIEW OF PREVAILING ATHLETIC SPORTS

## JEFF AND JACK; HOW THEY MATCH

New York Physician Gives an Estimate of Two Fighters—Each Has An Advantage.

(By Walter Peet, M. D.)  
New York, Dec. 26.—As a nation, enthusiasm of Americans is proverbial, but it is safe to say that in our history has there been a sporting event which has aroused such widespread interest and produces so much in discussion in all classes as the coming fight for the championship of the world between James J. Jeffries and John Johnson. Everywhere in New York one hears "Johnson" or "Jeffries." It was at the high tide of this great wave of enthusiasm which swept the country, culminating when the final details were arranged between the principals and promoters, that I was enabled to go over both of these giants with the tape measure and makes various other examinations.

Looking at the men superficially, Jeffries seems more symmetrical and more pleasing to the eye, because of Johnson's high shoulders, behind which the large muscles of the back are piled up and which robs him of that graceful poise which we see in so many of our athletes.

But those high shoulders which the masses of muscle in front and behind are there strictly for business, and while not so agreeable aesthetically, will count for much on the great day.

I went over Jeffries in his dressing room in the Madison Square garden just after he had finished skipping the tape measure.

On Friday morning, just as Johnson rose from his bed, I went carefully over with the stethoscope, this Hercules.

ARE ABOUT EVEN.  
To summarize, in physical measurements, the men are about as even as any one would wish to see. Jeffries has the call in height, weight and reach. Johnson has it in youth, agility and lack of nervous temperament. Of the two Johnson is decidedly the lesser muscle bound.

From past records of the two men, it would seem that Jeffries can deliver the harder blow, and if he is to win at all he must get his punch in early in the game or his younger and more agile adversary will wear him down. But he will have to be most aggressively quick to get to Johnson, as the latter's footwork and backward spring could be his undoing.

Furthermore, Johnson will be able to withstand head blows the better. Johnson never blinks; he eats anything that appeals to him up to the eye of the fight and Jeffries is not much more careful. It is doubtful whether this is a good plan, as it has been proven in the case of tests with university crews that dieting has much to do with condition and lasting power.

Both are drinking men. Johnson never drinks whisky, but trains on champagne and beer. Much will depend on the necessary curtailment of alcohol in each.

WHAT THE TAPE SAYS.  
Jeffries, Johnson.  
Age ..... 31 ..... 31  
Weight ..... 235 ..... 195  
Height standing ..... 6 ft 2 ..... 6 ft 1 1/2  
Girth of neck ..... 17 ..... 17 1/2  
Girth of upper chest ..... 34 ..... 34  
Girth of waist ..... 34 1/2 ..... 34  
Girth of upper arm ..... 14 ..... 14 1/2  
Girth of forearms ..... 12 1/2 ..... 13 1/2  
Girth of shoulders ..... 24 ..... 24  
Girth of thigh ..... 24 ..... 24 1/2  
Girth of calf ..... 16 ..... 15 1/2  
Breadth of waist ..... 16 ..... 14

BATTLING NELSON  
AND AD WOLGAST  
San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Said Hester, the fight promoter, who is endeavoring to secure a February match between Battling Nelson and Ad Wolgast, a manager. It is understood that Hester raised his offer to Wolgast to \$3,750, but that Jones refused.

Nelson has declared himself willing to accept Hester's proposition and the promoter is confident that he can obtain a permit for the match some place about the bay. Jones stated that he had received an offer from Hugh McIntosh, the Australian promoter, who proposes that Wolgast meet Jimmy "Doc" Dolan and an Australian lightweight named Thorn at Sydney.

Wolgast fights Mesnie in Los Angeles Jan. 7 and Jones said the Australian offer might be accepted, if they could not come to terms before that time with Nelson.

JIM FLYNN KNOCKS  
OUT JOE WILLIS  
Los Angeles, Dec. 31.—Jim Flynn of Pueblo knocked out Joe Willis of San Francisco in the sixth round of a scheduled 10-round battle here tonight.

Willis more than held his own in the opening rounds and outfought Flynn. It was one of the hardest slugging matches ever put before Willis, who hit the better of the hitting until the fifth round. Even in that round even money was wagered that Willis would win. In the sixth round Flynn rushed Willis and half knocked him, and a few other things to the motor car line, has severed his connection with the Utah Implement Vehicle company.

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## RALEIGH P. D. WINS ELMIRA HANDICAP

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 31.—Raleigh P. D. won the Elmira handicap at Emeryville today. Lady Elizabeth set a merry pace, but tired when the stretch was reached. Raleigh P. D. assumed the lead and won easily from Turlet, closed fast. Daddy Dip, the favorite, showed some speed, but quit. The track was very sloppy and showery weather prevailed.

Twelve horses owned by H. G. Bedwell arrived from Jerez today. Results:  
First race, five furlongs—Pride of Lisimor, 12 (McBride) to 1, won; Babe McNeely, 10 (Coburn) 3 to 1, second; Basal, 12 (King) 15 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Second race, six furlongs—Billy Meyer, 12 (Williams) 6 to 1, won; Ybor, 12 (Carter) 12 to 1, second; St. Avon, 12 (Borel) 6 to 1, third; time—1:15.2.

Third race, one mile and twenty yards—Sink Spring, 10 (Vesper) 9 to 1, won; Pelmas, 12 (Grosby) 10 to 1, second; Moss back, 12 (Gross) 12 to 1, third; time—1:45.3.

Fourth race, seven furlongs—Elmira handicap—Raleigh P. D. (Gross) 5 to 1, won; Turlet, 10 (Dugan) 3 to 1, second; The Lady Elizabeth, 12 (Ansderson) 7 to 2, third; time—1:23.5.

Fifth race, one mile and twenty yards—Gretchen G. (Marty) 5 to 1, won; Wadville, 10 (Denny) 10 to 1, second; Trocha, 10 (Gross) 10 to 1, third; time—1:45.3.

Sixth race, five furlongs—Don Hamilton, 10 (Crosby) 10 to 1, won; Virginia Lindsey, 10 (Ramsey) 15 to 1, second; Convent, 10 (Schilling) 10 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Seventh race, six furlongs—Hannibal, 10 (Molesworth) 10 to 1, won; Bertinot, 10 (Benecoten) 15 to 1, second; Myrtle Dixon, 10 (Benson) 15 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Eighth race, five furlongs—Battling Nelson, 10 (Schilling) 10 to 1, won; M. Eskert, 10 (Hiden) 10 to 1, second; Bill Bramble, 10 (Klaneshia) 10 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Ninth race, five furlongs—Aunt Nancy, 10 (Wilson) 10 to 1, won; Kym, 10 (Kennedy) 15 to 1, second; Dunstan, 10 (Benecoten) 15 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Tenth race, five furlongs—Commodore, 10 (Wilson) 10 to 1, won; Sandy Hill, 10 (Benecoten) 15 to 1, second; Harold Hall, 10 (Benecoten) 15 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Eleventh race, five furlongs—Breder's—Donna H., 10 to 1, won; Harold, 10 to 1, second; Sister Phyllis, 10 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Twelfth race, five furlongs—Bat Masterson, 10 to 1, won; Guy Fisher, 10 to 1, second; Boeger Red, 10 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Thirteenth race, seven furlongs—Cunning, 10 to 1, won; Tollbox, 10 to 1, second; Camel, 10 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Fourteenth race, one mile and a sixteenth—Campanella, 10 to 1, won; Spring Frog, 10 to 1, second; Molesley, 10 to 1, third; time—1:49.4.

AT TAMPA.  
Tampa, Fla., Dec. 31.—Bainy weather continued to bring out one of the best attendances of the meeting.

Speculation also was of voluminous proportions. Favorites were defeated in most of the events, but the winner in each instance were well supported.

The race between the management and the six operating bookmakers will expire tomorrow. Next Monday all reputable bookmakers will be accorded privileges to post prices. Jockey Haines was informed today that he would not be allowed to accept any more mounts.

Jockey Mountain so must refrain from riding until he shows improvement in form. Summary:  
First race, five furlongs, selling—Jetta, 4 to 1, won; McAndrews, 4 to 1, second; Judge Dundon, 8 to 1, third; time—1:13.4.

Second race, five and a half furlongs, selling—Eva Tanquary, 1 to 3, won; Sallie Peterson, 2 to 1, second; Miss Elliott, 6 to 1, third; time—1:14.5.

Third race, five and a half furlongs—Bonnie Bee, 3 to 1, won; time—1:13.

Fourth race, seven furlongs, selling—Private Diana, 3 to 2, won; Larian, even, second; Bannado, 5 to 1, third; time—1:23.4.

Fifth race, five furlongs, selling—Stromeland, even, won; Bill Hibbs, 8 to 1, second; Dry Dollar, 6 to 1, third; time—1:06.3.

Sixth race, mile, selling—Descomets, 2 to 1, won; Bannado, 6 to 1, second; Frodo, 6 to 1, third; time—1:41.5.

RECORD PRICE IS  
REFUSED FOR BAYARDO  
The enormous figure of \$250,000 has been refused for Bayardo, the champion English 3-year-old, and as far as turf history goes this is the record offer for a race horse. It has been stated that the animal was wanted for stud purposes, but as Mr. Fairlie, his owner, is a wealthy man he cares

## STAKE WINNERS OF TURF, 1909.

Event	Value	Winner	Second	Third	Owner
French Grand Prix	\$74,155	Verdum	Rebella	Union	Baron Rothschild.
French Derby	40,000	Nagefol	Union	Overnight	W. K. Vanderbilt.
Futurity	31,000	Sweep	Candleberry	Grassmere	J. R. Keene.
Belmont Stakes	30,000	Joe Madden	Wise Mason	Donald McDonald	S. C. Hildreth.
English Derby	30,000	Union	Louviere	William IV.	King Edward.
French Oaks	25,000	Minorou	Union	County Clerk	Edmond Blanc.
Tidal Stakes	20,000	Hilarious	Joe Madden	County Clerk	J. R. Keene.
Lawrence Realization	15,000	Fitz Herbert	Joe Madden	County Clerk	S. C. Hildreth.
Withers	11,070	Hilarious	Joe Madden	County Clerk	J. R. Keene.
Burns Handicap	10,000	King James	Dorante	County Clerk	S. C. Hildreth.
Brooklyn Derby	10,000	Joe Madden	Payette	County Clerk	S. C. Hildreth.
California Derby	10,000	High Private	Joe Madden	County Clerk	S. C. Hildreth.
Kentucky Derby	6,000	Wintergreen	Miami	Dr. Barclay	H. A. Forsythe.
Metropolitan Handicap	5,000	King James	Payette	Juggler	S. C. Hildreth.
Suburban	5,000	Fitz Herbert	Alfred Noble	Payette	S. C. Hildreth.
Stock Farm Handicap	5,000	King James	Restigouche	Celt	S. C. Hildreth.
Latonia Derby	5,000	Oambala	The Peer	Plate Glass	S. C. Hildreth.
Los Angeles Derby	5,000	Joe Madden	Guy Fisher	High Private	J. W. Granger.
Toronto Cup	5,000	King James	Arondack	High Private	S. C. Hildreth.

## HARNESS RACE WINNERS OF 1909.

Event	Value	Winner	Second	Third	Driver
American Derby, trot	\$35,000	Baron Alcyon	Axtator	Kaldai	L. McDonald.
American Derby, pace	15,000	Simon Kenton	Bard Allerton	The Eel	H. Ernst.
Kentucky Futurity	14,000	Princess Virginia	Czarevna	Bertha C.	Talman.
Lexington Futurity	10,000	Native Belle	Colorado E.	Eva Bellini	T. Murphy.
M. & M.	10,000	Margin	Judge Lee	Bisa	T. Murphy.
Hotel Burdick	10,000	Margin	Judge Lee	Bisa	T. Murphy.
Hotel Hartman	5,000	The Bo'sun	Greatest Line	Annabel Lee	W. Cox.
Transylvania	5,000	Penia Maid	Bob Douglas	Marle N.	M. Shutt.
Stock Farm Futurity	5,000	Princess Virginia	Czarevna	Czarevna	T. Murphy.
King Stakes	5,000	Darby Hall	Major Marlow	Major Brino	M. Shutt.
Buckeye Stakes	5,000	Penia Maid	Margin	Jack McKerron	Snow.
Nutmeg Stakes	5,000	George Ganso	Rollins	Hal Raven	T. Murphy.
Board of Trade	5,000	George Ganso	Hal Raven	Gov. Searls	T. Murphy.
Edwards Stakes	5,000	George Ganso	Bland S.	Macoma	T. Murphy.
Chamber of Commerce	5,000	George Ganso	Star Patchon	Hoosier Prince	T. Murphy.
Hotel Rickman	5,000	Star Patchon	The Bo'sun	Gereldine	Snow.

## TENNIS PLAYERS RECEIVE A SHOCK

Southern California Enthusiasts Are Wondering Why McLoughlin and Long Are Left Out.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 1.—Southern California tennis enthusiasts received a shock when the report of the ranking committee of the National Lawn Tennis association was read yesterday.

That neither Maurice McLoughlin nor Melville Long of San Francisco was ranked among the first five players of the country excited much unfavorable comment, and the rating given the southern California players was regarded as especially unjust.

Simpson Sinsbaugh, secretary of the Southern California Lawn Tennis association, said yesterday:

"The worst that McLoughlin should have had for his place and Long for his place was that they were not in the top five. Why Johnson should have been given third place and Niles fourth puzzles me. Both McLoughlin and Long have demonstrated their superiority over these two eastern players."

## NO DEMAND FOR LONGER SCHEDULE

New York, Jan. 1.—President Farrell of the New York American league baseball club, says that there is no popular demand for a schedule of 168 games.

"If I had my way," he said, "I would have a 140-game schedule in both big leagues. The 168 game schedule is a clear case of grab everything in sight, regardless of the strain on the players. The public does not care for a surfeit of baseball."

"I am hopeful that the National league will go back to the 154 game plan before the opening of the season."

## ROPE JUMPING MATCH HAS BEEN ARRANGED

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## New Rules for Football Suggested by Walter Camp

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 31.—Walter Camp of Yale issued a statement tonight in which were suggestions for conditions in the football playing code for next year. He advocates a rather novel innovation in a rule that would compel all players to stand in a space only 10 yards wide. The changes favored by him are:

Let no player on the attack or the defense line up outside two lines running parallel to the side lines, each of these lines being five yards from the ball, thus making the scrimmage line 30 yards in width.

Back field men on the attack and defense also must keep within these lines until the ball is put in play.

If it is desired to increase the power of an attack, let one man line up outside this space.

Make the distance to be gained 15 yards in four downs up to the 25-yard line. Then make it 10 yards in four downs up to the 15-yard line, and then five yards in four downs thereafter.

Remove the 5-yard restriction for a quarterback.

Prohibit the forward pass crossing the line of scrimmage, but let anyone get the ball on a forward pass after it strikes the ground.

If it is desired still further to favor the attack, double distances might be given for any run that crosses the line of scrimmage more than 10 yards out from center.

## Toll of Death Among Sportsmen During Year 1909

HORSEMEN.  
W. C. Gullever, Boston, Jan. 4.  
James Taylor, driver, White River Junction, Vt., April 12.  
E. J. (Lucky) Baldwin, Arcadia, Cal., March 1.

PUGILISTS.  
Patrick O'Hara, Boston, Jan. 5.  
M. E. Sears, lightweight, Lewistown, Me., Jan. 18.  
Rocco Johnson, brother of Jack Johnson, New York, Feb. 4.

MISCELLANEOUS.  
Capt. John Barr, yachtsman, Marblehead, Jan. 11.  
Paul Dion, bicyclist, Lowell, Mass., Jan. 18.  
Kellor Greenwood, cricketer, Lowell, Mass., Aug. 31.

BASEBALL.  
Charles Pittenger, pitcher, Carlisle, Pa., Jan. 14.  
Nick Mathewson, pitcher, Scranton, Pa., Jan. 15.

John Clarkson, pitcher, Waverly, Mass., Feb. 5.  
Joseph Courtney, college player, Washington, March 17.

Dr. Maurice Powers, catcher, Philadelphia, Pa., April 2.  
Arthur Mullins, pitcher, Toledo, O., May 12.

M. F. Danly, umpire, Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 5.

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